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Flood Update

Chippewa River Update

Friday, September 5, 2014, 4:00 p.m.

At 1:30 p.m. this afternoon, the Chippewa River gauge at Grand Avenue read 768.1, which is approximately five (5) feet below the downtown flood stage of elevation 773. Lower sections of the Chippewa River Trail in the city of Eau Claire are currently closed.

At 3:04 p.m., the National Weather Service updated the crest forecast to elevation 770.5 at Grand Avenue on Sunday afternoon. At this projected elevation, flooding is expected in the lower areas of Owen Park and lower sections of the Chippewa River Trail including bridge underpasses. Additional rainfall may prolong the closure.

The City will continue to monitor the river closely and report information as it is obtained. Residents along or near the river are also asked to monitor nearby river conditions in order to have as much advanced warning of those changes. Information is available on the City web site at www.eauclairewi.gov. For further information about this news release or river elevations, please contact the City of Eau Claire, Department of Public Works at (715) 839-4934.

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